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My parents were farm workers. As a boy, I worked in the fields with them. They were humble people who lived good lives. They taught me simple lessons. Study hard. Work hard. Treat everyone equally. Take care of your family.

As your Assemblyman, I will use those lessons, in addition to my experience as a City Councilmember, to write laws that make California a better place.

1. Teach English

I graduated from Harvard University. But I had to learn English first. Every child needs the same chance. And they'll only get it by speaking English. People who speak English earn higher wages. More Californians earning more money means fewer who need taxpayer assistance.

2. Stop gangs

Too many young people join gangs because they don't have anything else to join. I want the Governor to keep his promise of after-school programs. They work. But if people choose a life of crime, they must be caught, convicted and punished.

3. Open the doors to college

No government welfare program will ever be as good as a good job. We need to raise the minimum wage and ensure that everyone has the chance to go to college. Higher community college fees have forced 314,000 students to drop out. I will lower those fees and help students purchase textbooks.

My wife Linn is a local high school teacher. We want our two sons to live in a California where the future is bright.

I hope you will consider me as your Assemblyman.

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